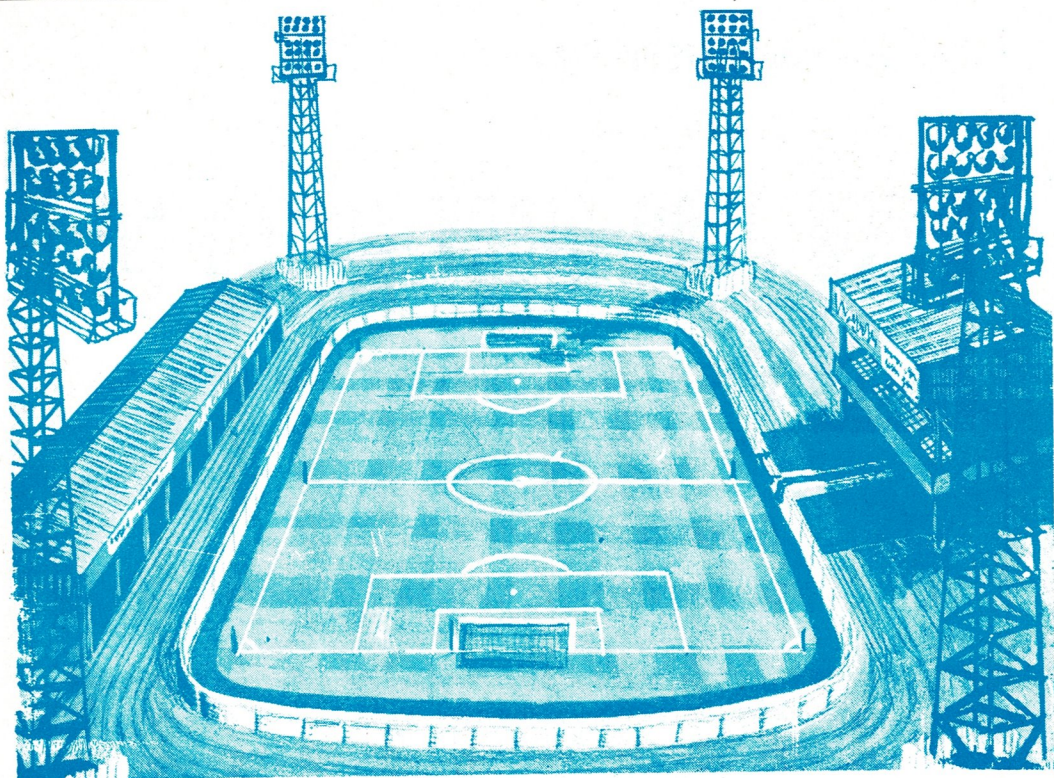


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OUR VISITORS

Today's F.A. Cup 1st Round tie brings together two Lancs. League clubs and near neighbours with ourselves, Bury.

Apart from a meeting in the Lancs. Senior Cup in the mid-sixties, Wigan and Bury have never been paired together in any competition.

On behalf of the chairman and directors, I extend a warm welcome to Mr. Bill Allen (Bury chairman), his board, officials and players to Springfield Park today for what we all hope will be a rousing, but clean, hard fought Cup-tie.

Bury are renowned F.A. Cup fighters. They have indeed won the Cup on two occasions, in 1900 they beat Southampton by 4-0, and in 1903 they created a record that still holds today when beating Derby County by 6 goals to nil at Crystal Palace.

When Bury supporters came to

London to see their team in this final very few Londoners had heard of such a place as Bury, fewer still could say where it was exactly.

However, within three years Bury had won the Cup twice, as well as every other football trophy within its scope, except the Football League Championship.

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Last season they drew 19 games and up to now this season they have already drawn 10 games. They do, therefore, appear to be draw specialists, suggesting they must be strong at the back.

FORTHCOMING FIXTURES

FOOTBALL LEAGUE — DIVISION 4

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FROM THE MANAGERS DESK

Today I welcome Dave Hatton and his Bury team to Springfield Park in what looks like a particularly intriguing Cup-tie. I have watched Bury twice this year and have been impressed, and I am sure they are in a false position in the league. Against Swansea City they were most unlucky. Last Saturday they fought back very well to gain a point at Gillingham after being two goals down. I would also like to welcome young Danny Wilson back to Springfield Park. Danny played for us two year ago, but I only wish he had arrived on the scene a little later, as we could not compete with a league club when it came to offering him terms. He is certainly making grand progress at Gigg Lane and I am sure he has Dave Hatton to thank for a certain amount of success.

He was always a first class competitor, and that coupled with his willingness to learn, has meant he always had a big chance of making the grade.

READING MATCH

What magnificent support we received last week. It was really tremendous, and I can assure you all, it got right through to the players.

After the game the comments were thick and fast and all were to the effect that they felt the supporters had really got behind them, as they usually do in cup-ties. If we can maintain that liaison between our fans and players, we will not go far wrong.

If supporters at all times could realise they are an important part of the club's success, and support the team, even on adverse occasions (which every side is bound to have) then I am positive we have the makings of a first class set-up which can make steady progress up the tables of the Football League.

I know we will have your tremendous backing today, and we will do all in our power to get through to Round Two.

Enjoy today's match.

I. McNEILL, Manager.

LANCASHIRE LEAGUE

(up to and including 4th November, 1978)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Port Vale Reserves	11	8	3	0	24	8	19
Oldham Athletic Reserves	12	9	1	2	28	15	19
Manchester United Reserves	11	9	0	2	25	6	18
Liverpool 'A'	12	8	2	2	32	15	18
Chester 'A'	12	7	3	2	22	15	17
Tranmere Rovers Reserves	11	5	5	1	21	13	15
Everton 'A'	11	6	2	3	20	10	14
Wigan Athletic Reserves	11	5	3	3	24	11	13
Manchester City 'A'	11	5	1	5	17	12	11
Morecambe Reserves	11	3	4	4	17	23	10
Carlisle United Reserves	12	4	2	6	15	21	10
Rochdale Reserves	10	4	1	5	16	18	9
Bradford City Reserves	12	4	1	7	19	24	9
Wrexham Reserves	11	4	1	6	18	23	9
Bolton Wanderers 'B'	12	4	1	7	8	19	9
Blackpool 'A'	11	4	0	7	17	17	8
Southport Reserves	11	2	3	6	9	19	7
Macclesfield Town Reserves	11	2	1	8	17	33	5
Stockport County 'A'	11	1	3	7	11	30	5
Crewe Alex 'A'	12	0	1	11	10	38	1



Peter Houghton puts Latics 1-0 up against Reading last Saturday after a terrific run from the half way line. The goalkeeper and Reading defenders can only stand and watch as he fires a shot into the bottom corner.

(Picture by courtesy of the Wigan Observer)

PEN PICTURES OF BURY A.F.C.

JOHN FORREST

Confident, agile goalkeeper. A product of Bury's youth policy. He has been the first team choice for the past seven seasons. A record of consistency that has seen him being an ever-present for the past two seasons, not having missed a League or Cup fixture. Born Bury.

COLIN DARCY

Signed from Everton four seasons ago. This tall, well-built young 'keeper has shown tremendous form in the "Shakers" Central League side, but due to the consistency of John Forrest his first team appearance have been limited to four during the 1975/76 seasons. Born in Wirral.

KEITH KENNEDY

A fast tackling defender, signed from Newcastle Utd., in 1972, who enjoys linking with his forwards. Was voted Top Left-back in the 3rd Division by his fellow professionals last season. He is the brother of English International Alan Kennedy. Born Sunderland.

DAVE HATTON

Appointed player-manager during the close season when Bob Stokoe moved to Blackpool. A popular figure with a wealth of experience in the top divisions of the Football League. Joined Bury from Blackpool at the start of 1976/77 season and has now made over 550 League appearances. Previously with Bolton Wanderers. Born Farnworth, Lancs.

RAYMOND LUGG

Signed from Crewe Alex. in July this year for a five figure fee. Previous clubs before joining Alex. where he was also captain, were Middlesbrough, Watford and Plymouth. Made 20 first team appearances last term for Crewe. Born Jarrow, Co. Durham.

BRIAN STANTON

Signed professional forms in March 1976 after a short spell in the reserve side as an amateur. Playing in midfield or on the wing he has made a good impression since gaining a first team place. Last season he made 44 appearances and scored 10 goals. Born Liverpool.

GORDON TAYLOR

Wing forward, signed from Blackburn Rovers during the close season. Made 34 first team appearances last term with Rovers. Previously played with Bolton Wanderers and Birmingham City, and had a spell of American football with Fort Lauderdale. Born Ashton-under-Lyne.

BILLY TUCKER

Signed in January 1977 after a month's

loan period from Hereford Utd. whom he had served from their Southern League times. Has proved a shrewd buy and really been the kingpin of the "Shakers" defence since moving north. Born Kidderminster.

TONY BAILEY

Powerful in the air and on the ground, a fine reader of the game. Joined Bury in December 1974 in an exchange deal from Oldham. Previously played for Derby Co. Since joining Bury has made over 120 first team appearances. Born Burton-on-Trent.

RONNIE EVANS

A strong midfield player or defender, was signed from Man. City during the close season, where he was a member of their Central League Championship side last season. Born Manchester.

DANNY WILSON

Eighteen-year-old midfield player, signed early last season from Wigan Ath. Made rapid progress, making his first team debut in November. Will surely be a name for the future if this kind of progress is maintained. Born Wigan.

STEVIE JOHNSON

Strong, powerful, six-foot striker. Signed two season ago from Altrincham. After steady progress in the reserves, made a couple of first team appearances towards the end of last season. Born Liverpool.

ALAN WOOLFALL

Signed professional four seasons ago after being spotted in non-league football. Made 32 first team appearances during 1976/77 season, scoring 11 goals. Missed most of last season through injury. Born Liverpool.

DAVID GREGORY

Signed this season from Stoke City. A skilful ball player who started his League career with Peterborough United where he made 131 first team appearances scoring 32 goals. Born Peterborough.

JOHN RITSON

Experienced full-back, recently signed from Bolton Wanderers. Spent 14 years at Burnden Park, joining them straight from school. Made over 320 first team appearances and was club captain before joining Bury. Born Liverpool.

KEN BEAMISH

This well-travelled goal scorer signed from Port Vale in September this year. He has previous League experience with Tranmere Rovers, Brighton and Blackburn Rovers. Has found the net regularly with all the clubs he served, scoring over 140 League goals to date. Born Bebington, Wirral.

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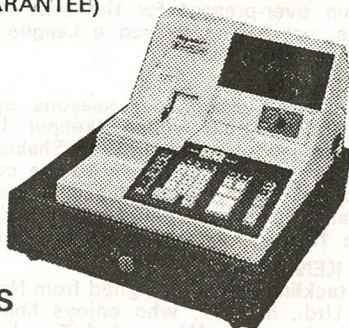
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4th DIVISION NEWS

Rochdale, who were only beaten by a penalty by promotion chasing Aldershot last Saturday, have now gone 35 League away games without a win.

Wigan are, as yet, the only team not to have drawn at home. Bradford City and Port Vale have not drawn away. Every club in the League has now lost at least one game away, but there are four unbeaten teams at home—Wimbledon, Reading, Hereford and Northampton.

Stan Anderson, who has been the manager at Doncaster for the past four years, has resigned to take up the position of assistant manager to Ian Greaves at Bolton.

Eight Fourth Division clubs are paired against non-league sides in today's F.A. Cup 1st Round. Only two, however, have to travel — Wimbledon, who last season were beaten at Enfield, are at Gravesend of the Southern Premier League, and Crewe, who last season were beaten by Scarborough, travel to Nuneaton, another Southern Premier League club.

There has already been seven managerial changes in the League since 1st August, 1978. Two, however, have moved to higher circles, Stan Anderson, Doncaster to Bolton and Bob Smith, Port Vale to Swindon.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE — DIVISION IV

(up to and including 18th November, 1978)

	P	W	D	Home				A	W	D	Away				A	Pts
				L	F						L	F				
Wimbledon	18	8	1	0	19	7	3	4	2	13	12	27				
Reading	18	7	2	0	20	5	3	3	3	11	12	25				
Barnsley	18	5	2	2	16	8	4	4	1	9	5	24				
Portsmouth	18	7	1	1	16	2	3	2	4	13	14	23				
Grimsby	18	5	2	2	18	10	4	2	3	11	9	22				
Aldershot	18	5	3	1	14	5	2	5	2	9	10	22				
Bournemouth	18	5	2	2	14	7	2	4	3	5	5	20				
Torquay	18	6	1	1	15	6	3	1	6	9	18	20				
WIGAN ATHLETIC	18	6	0	3	14	9	2	3	4	5	8	19				
Hereford	18	4	5	0	14	5	2	1	6	9	12	18				
Stockport	18	5	2	2	14	4	1	4	4	11	16	18				
Port Vale	18	1	6	2	13	13	5	0	4	15	12	18				
Northampton	18	5	4	0	18	8	1	2	6	8	18	18				
Hartlepool	18	3	4	2	15	11	3	2	4	6	15	18				
Huddersfield	18	6	3	1	16	8	0	2	6	5	14	17				
York City	18	4	2	3	10	10	3	1	5	7	14	17				
Newport	18	2	3	4	10	13	3	3	3	13	14	16				
Bradford City	18	4	2	3	16	12	3	0	6	8	18	16				
Darlington	18	3	3	3	10	7	2	2	5	9	16	15				
Scunthorpe	18	5	1	3	12	10	0	4	5	6	12	15				
Doncaster	18	3	4	3	12	11	1	2	5	8	16	14				
Crewe	18	2	3	4	11	16	1	5	3	8	16	14				
Rochdale	18	2	3	4	7	11	0	3	6	4	20	10				
Halifax	18	1	2	5	4	12	0	2	8	8	22	6				

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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



Today we play our first ever F.A. Cup-tie as a Football League Club, and we couldn't have wished for more attractive opposition than our neighbours Bury, at home.

Over the years Bury have always made known their friendliness towards Wigan, and on the many occasions we have visited London for the Football League A.G.M. Bill Allen their chairman, has always been very comforting when we failed to gain admission, and last year was delighted with our success.

We cannot wish you luck today Bill, but give you our best wishes for the remainder of the season.

F.A. Cup-ties are magnetic to the directors, managers and players,

and to every interested follower of the game. Each season's first round draw bring memories of previous games, not to mention dreams that this year we shall have a record run and may meet Manchester United or Liverpool!

Many present spectators will remember the memorable 3rd Round tie at St. James' Park, Newcastle, in January, 1954, when we drew 2-2 before over 50,000 of a gate. The replay at Wigan the following Wednesday saw Newcastle winners by 3-2. That year was the only time we have been in the 4th Round draw. It was Burnley v Newcastle or Wigan Athletic.

In recent years most people will remember our great display at Manchester City in the reign of Gordon Milne, and last season's never-to-be forgotten F.A. Cup-tie (the last as a non-league club) at St. Andrews, Birmingham.

Last Saturday's game with Reading was a delight, and a credit to 4th Division football. In atrocious conditions the standard of football was wonderful. A gate of nearly 6,000 was most satisfactory and the refereeing was equal to anything we have seen at Springfield Park for many years.

ARTHUR HORROCKS,

Chairman.

an 41236 (5 lines)



SATURDAY, 25th NOVEMBER, 1978 — Kick-off 3-0 p.m.

LINE-UP

<p>WIGAN ATHLETIC</p> <p>1 John Brown 2 Kevin Smart 3 Joe Hinnigan 4 Tommy Gore 5 Noel Ward 6 Dave Fretwell 7 Frank Corrigan 8 Jeff Wright 9 Peter Houghton 10 Mickey Moore 11 Ian Purdie 12 Derek Brownbill</p>	<p>Referee : Mr. J. D. HOUGH (Macclesfield)</p> <p>Linesmen : Mr. G. Jones (Wirral) Red Flag</p> <p>Mr. F. Stringfellow (Holmes Chapel) Yellow Flag</p> <hr/> <p>FOR YOUR RECORD</p> <p>Result : Attendance : Scorers :</p>	<p>BURY</p> <p>1 John Forrest 2 John Ritson 3 Keith Kennedy 4 Ray Lugg 5 Bill Tucker 6 Alan Whitehead 7 Danny Wilson 8 Brian Stanton 9 Ken Beamish 10 David Gregory 11 Gordon Taylor 12 Paul Hilton</p>
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TODAY'S REFEREE

JOHN D. HOUGH (Macclesfield)

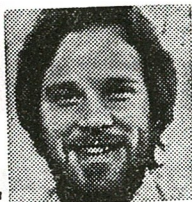
Commenced refereeing in Macclesfield and District League, and then via Mid-Cheshire and Cheshire County Leagues to the Football League line, supplementary and full lists. Has refereed Cheshire Senior Cup and Cheshire Premier Bowl Finals.

also lined in European Cup quarter-final in Czechoslovakia, and Anglo-Italian Cup matches in Italy.

He runs his own business of plumbing and property repair, and has spare-time interests in squash and gardening.

LATICS LINE

by Nick Duxbury



When Wigan Athletic run out for this afternoon's F.A. Cup clash with Bury it will be almost like turning the clock back 12 months.

This time last year Latics target was York City, and today six of the side, who as non-league part-timers ruffled the feathers of City's peacock professionals, are in F.A. Cup action again.

John Brown, Joe Hinnigan, Tommy Gore, Noel Ward, Jeff Wright and Mickey Moore were heroes of that 1-0 first round win and it must surely be one of football's most amazing stories that they should still form the backbone of the side.

Latics fans always regarded the gap between the standard of football in the Northern Premier League and the lower divisions of the Football League to be very small and the F.A. Cup gave their team the chance to prove it.

Last year, Latics took two League scalps—one of Bury's Division Three stablemates Sheffield Wednesday—on the way to that memorable third

round exit at Birmingham City, but the doubters could still say that cup success was merely a string of "one-off" results.

League status brought the big test and the six who carry Latics Div. 4 flag into battle with Bury, have proved their long-time admirers right.

Non-league players can make it if they are given the right breaks. In fact, eight of this afternoon's team were non-leaguers with Latics last season, with Frank Corrigan and Peter Houghton late arrivals in the Spring.

So much has happened in the five months since Latics became the newest League club, that the NPL days already seem light years away.

There have been many changes to be made in a short time, and overnight Latics have been transformed from a collection of cup-hunting bakers, joiners, process workers and labourers hoping to grab a brief spot of the headlines. They are now fully-fledged professionals, as Bury may find out to their cost.

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Date	Opponents	Score	Gate
1978 Aug 19	Hareford	0-0	5,674
" " 23	GRIMSBY	0-3	9,227
" " 26	Reading	0-2	4,788
Sep. 2	NEWPORT	2-3	5,319
" " 9	Wimbleton	1-2	3,217
" " 13	ROCHDALE	3-0	5,746
" " 16	BADFORD	1-3	7,080
" " 23	York	1-0	3,307
" " 26	Porthsmouth	0-1	13,962
" " 30	SCUNTHORPE	1-0	4,459
Oct 7	Huddersfield	1-1	5,150
" " 14	DONCASTER	1-0	5,788
" " 18	HALIFAX	1-0	5,216
" " 21	Barnsley	0-0	9,841
" " 28	NORTHAMPTON	2-0	6,264
Nov 4	Stockport	1-0	8,357
" " 10	Newport	1-2	4,143
" " 18	READING	3-0	5,858
" " 25	TORQUAY FA 1	-	-
Dec 2	TORQUAY	-	-
" " 9	Darlington	-	-
" " 16	Port Vale FA 2	-	-
" " 23	CREWE	-	-
" " 26	ALDERSHOT	-	-
" " 30	-	-	-
1979 Jan 1	Hartlepool	-	-
" " 6	Rochdale	-	-
" " 13	WIMBLEDON	-	-
" " 20	Bradford	-	-
" " 27	YORK	-	-
Feb. 3	PORTSMOUTH	-	-
" " 10	Scunthorpe	-	-
" " 17	HUDDERSFIELD	-	-
" " 24	Doncaster	-	-
Mar 3	BARNSLEY	-	-
" " 10	Northampton	-	-
" " 17	STOCKPORT	-	-
" " 24	Grimby	-	-
" " 28	HEREFORD	-	-
" " 31	BOURNEMOUTH	-	-
Apr 7	Torquay	-	-
" " 13	PORT VALE	-	-
" " 14	Crewe	-	-
" " 16	HARTLEPOOL	-	-
" " 21	Aldershot	-	-
" " 24	Halifax	-	-
" " 28	DARLINGTON	-	-
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LANCASHIRE FOOTBALL LEAGUE (DIVISION 1)

Wigan Athletic Reserves

1978

August—	F-A
18—Blackpool 'A'	H 2-1
25—Southport Res.	H 1-1

September—

2—Everton 'A'	A 2-1
9—Chester 'A'	H 1-3
15—Tranmere R. Res.	A 0-0
16—	
23—Bradford City Res.	H 5-0
30—Liverpool 'A'	A 1-2

October—

7—Rochdale Res.	H 2-2
14—Rochdale Res.	A 0-1
21—Carlisle Utd. Res.	H 2-0
27—Stockport County 'A'	A 8-0

November—

11—Tranmere R. Res.	H 2-2
18—Crewe Alex 'A'	A 3-3
25—Manchester City 'A'	A

December—

2—Blackpool 'A'	A
9—Port Vale Res.	H
16—Chester 'A'	A
23—Macclesfield T. Res.	H
26—	
30—Morecambe Res.	A

1979

January—	F-A
1—Oldham Ath. Res.	H (Mn.)
6—Morecambe Res.	H
13—Port Vale Res.	A
20—Manchester City 'A'	H
27—Macclesfield T. Res.	A

February—

3—Bradford City Res.	A
10—Crewe Alex Res.	H
17—Manchester Utd. 'A'	A
24—Oldham Ath. Res.	A

March—

3—Carlisle Res.	A
10—Stockport County 'A'	H
17—Bolton Wanderers 'B'	A
24—Bolton Wanderers 'B'	H
31—Wrexham Res.	A

April—

7—Manchester Utd. 'A'	H
13—Southport Res.	A (Fri.)
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16—	
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